



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 5974**  
Hidenobu YAKU et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2003\_1763A  
Serial No. 10/727,664 : Group Art Unit 1634  
Filed December 5, 2003 : Examiner Thomas J. O'Farrell  
METHOD, PRIMER AND KIT FOR : **Mail Stop: Amendment**  
DETERMINING BASE TYPE

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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F. R. § 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action dated February 15, 2006, the period for response having been extended for one month by the attached petition, Applicants herein provide the following amendments and remarks.

**THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED  
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEES  
FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT 23-0975**